

REISSUE APPLICATION OF:

United States Patent No. 6,273,439, Scooter (Ray, et al., Serial No. 09/347,941, filed Jul. 6, 1999, issued Aug. 14, 2001)

STATUS AND SUPPORT FOR CLAIM CHANGES 37 CFR 1.173 (c)

In the above-identified Patent, Claim 1 of the issued Patent was amended, and Claims 9 – 19 were added. Patent Claims 2 through 8 were not changed and remain.

Claim 1 of the above-identified Patent was amended by removing unnecessary language.

New Claim 9, dependent on Claim 1, further requires that the scooter include a specific scooter wheel, which limitation was removed herein from Claim 1, and adds detail as to the rider deck, such as described in the Specification (col. 3, line 52 – 53).

New Claim 10, dependent on Claim 1, further requires a brake, such as described in the Specification (col. 4, lines 9 – 23).

Newly added independent Claim 11 is directed to a scooter and rephrases various of the requirements found in Claim 1, including the recitation of three angles formed by the frame members, such as described in the Specification (col. 2, lines 49 – 67).

New Claim 12, dependent on Claim 11, further requires that a rider deck and a rear fork be formed in part by a pair of parallel tube members, and a plate be welded to the tube members of the deck frame, such as described in the Specification (col. 3, lines 38 - 43).

New Claim 13, dependent on Claim 12, further requires means for reinforcing the frame, such as described in the Specification (col. 3, lines 29 – 37).

Newly added independent Claim 14 is directed to a manually powered scooter and rephrases various of the requirements found in Claim 1, including the recitation of three angles formed by the frame members and the importance of the frame member angles to the operation of the scooter, such as described in the Specification (col. 2, lines 49 – 67, and col. 2, lines 30-39).

New Claim 15, dependent on Claim 14, further defines the scooter and a front fork assembly, and a rider deck, and parallel tube members associated therewith, such as described in the Specification (col. 3, lines 38-43) and col. 4, lines 1 - 8).

New Claim 16, dependent on Claim 15, further defines the “means for steering” and requires “brake means for stopping the forward movement of the scooter, such as shown in Figures 1 and 2 and described in the Specification (col. 2, line 62 to col. 3, line 12 and col. 4, lines 9 – 23).

New Claims 17 and 18, each dependent on Claim 14, further define the scooter, as regards the ratio of the frame to the diameter of the wheel, such as taught in Figure 2.